

1st May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

D of E Bronze Assessed Expedition

Following a successful practice expedition, our Bronze Assessed Expedition will take place from Monday 18th to Tuesday 19th May 2026.

We will leave immediately after registration on Monday, so students can arrive that day by their usual transport. **We will return to school by 4.30pm on the Tuesday, so students must be collected from school at 4.30pm.** Please let your transport know that they will not be travelling Monday pm/Tuesday.

We will be packing the rucksacks and other equipment on Friday 15th May 2026. Please can students bring in all personal equipment on this day. I have attached another kit list to this letter for guidance. Please do not bring any electronics or valuables – all possessions will be the responsibility of the students.

Please send in any medication required for the trip in the original packaging. If any details have changed since you completed the medical form, please inform us immediately.

On Monday 18th May, please can all students arrive at school dressed for walking, with a packed lunch/snacks. Free School Meals sandwiches will be provided on both days.

The cost of the expedition will be £30. Pupil Premium has contributed towards the cost of the expedition, and you will pay £15.00. Payments may be made by card online via the School Money system, details to follow shortly by text and email, or by cash/cheque sent into school. Please also return the permission slip below.

No mobile phones are permitted on expedition. If you need to contact your child during the expedition, please call school on 0116 2477711 or Jenny on 07796 566846.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Walls DofE Manager

I give permission for my child _____ to attend the
DofE Bronze Assessed Expedition on 18th – 19th May 2026.

I have paid £30 for the cost of the expedition.

Signed _____

Date _____

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Kit List - Bronze

- Roll mat (can be provided by school)
- Sleeping bag
- Unbreakable plate, bowl, cup, cutlery
- 1 pair underwear
- 1 pair thick socks
- T-shirt
- Jumper/fleece/warm top
- 1 pair walking trousers/joggers/leggings (No jeans)
- Nightwear or joggers and top for sleeping
- Toiletries
- Small towel
- Torch and spare batteries
- Warm hat and gloves
- Sun hat and sun cream
- Waterproof coat
- Waterproof trousers (can be provided by school)
- 2 large water bottles
- Plenty of snacks